

## A COUNT IN TOPEKA.

He is a Russian Count and is Hard Up.

## REV. JOHN A. BRIGHT KNOWS HIM

And Advised Him to Come to Topeka. He Has Been Farming in Western Kansas.

There is a real live member of the Russian nobility living in Topeka as a private citizen and his name is Count Maurice Stazenski, although his neighbors know him as plain Mr. M. Stazenski of 728 Brigham avenue.

Count Stazenski has been a resident of Kansas for ten years and during that time has until a few weeks ago, lived on a farm near Clayton, Norton county, on the line of the Rock Island railroad.

Count Stazenski is no longer enjoying the perquisites and luxuries of a noble house, but is compelled in his extremity to advertise himself as a teacher of the French and German languages in order to provide the necessities of life for his family which consists of a wife and one son.

In telling his story to a State Journal reporter Count Stazenski said:

"My father was Count Victor Stazenski and during the life time of the grandfather of the present Czar he was among the leading Russian nobles at court and was the emperor's most trusted advisor. When the Polish trouble came the Polish rebellion as it is called in this country my father took the side of the Poles and on account of his part in the rebellion was sentenced to death. A few weeks before the time for the execution of my father, through the influence of his friends, sentence was commuted, and instead of being executed he and his family were ordered into exile in Siberia.

"I was at that time about 9 years old and soon after we returned from Siberia my father died. On account of his active part in the Polish trouble most of my father's property was confiscated by the Czar and when he died, as is customary in that country, what property was left went to his oldest son, my brother.

"I did not agree with this brother, politically or religiously, and there was nothing for me to do, but to become an exile and I came to America twelve years ago.

"I could not then speak one word of the English language. After staying two years in New York city I determined to push out west and invest what little money I had in a farm and make a living for myself by engaging in agriculture. I had seen many members of the nobility in New York reduced in circumstances and working for their living, but I had not seen any of them working with their hands. I made up my mind that I would begin at the bottom and work myself up.

"I came to Kansas and bought a farm in Norton county near the Decatur county line and I have with my own hands been plowing and doing the ordinary work on a western farm. While I have been living in a sad house made with my own hands I have prided myself on my ability to push my way in a foreign land.

"The long drought has compelled me to leave my farm, as I did not raise enough this last summer to keep my family, although I did raise sufficient to winter what stock I have on the farm, and I have a small tract of land in a small system of irrigation of my own contriving, which I think will enable me to raise a good crop next year. The Rock Island road runs through my farm, along a small creek, and I am having a series of dams built, by which I expect to raise the water from the creek a few inches higher than the level and then distribute it over the farm.

"A few months ago Rev. John A. Bright, with whom I became acquainted on one of his lecturing tours, advised me to come to Topeka, as he thought I could surely get employment here by which I could make a living. I have found it impossible to get anything to do and for that reason I inserted that advertisement in the State Journal, offering to teach the languages.

"It is possible that a reconciliation will soon be effected between myself and the other members of my family, and if that is done I will return to Russia.

"The present Czar Nicholas II is a jovial good fellow, and will institute many reforms for the good of his people."

In appearance Count Stazenski is tall, broad shouldered and would be handsome were it not that the marks which many Siberian exiles wear, spoil the beauty of his face.

As an aid to superior cookery, Dr. Price's Baking Powder, besides its great purity, is of higher leavening power than any other.

## WASHBURN NOTES.

Ed Leland has left school.

Christmas vacation begins December 19th.

W. H. Adams, manager of the Mid-Continent, spent Saturday and Sunday in Kansas City.

Miss Denison assisted in the song service at the North Congregational church Sunday evening.

One of the classes is making arrangements to introduce a "cane rush" into the quiet life of Washburn.

The price of the W. C. L. S. are having their usual difficulty in selecting a subject for debate.

The Senior Sophomore team has nine of the first football team. It would be a joke if the underclassmen beat them anyway.

Saturday evening Mr. J. S. Dague entertained the freshmen class at his home, 434 Lane street. Professor Ellis was chairman.

Miss Edith Davis is taking private Latin lessons of Prof. Whittemore. She expects to make up a year at Kansas university.

The Gamma Sigma open meeting occurs next Friday evening in the chapel. Some very fine music has been prepared for the occasion.

A committee has been appointed by the Athletic association to make arrangements for an experienced coach for next year and to prepare plans for fencing the grounds.

The junior class is working hard on its annual—the "Hellenodus." Ed R. Seacrest is business manager and J. R. Evans and F. K. Hammers assistants. The issue will be large enough to send copies to all alumni and many former students. It will be the first annual ever published at Washburn.

## PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

Bishop Vincent says some ministers don't succeed because they ride hobbies. The office force of the state library will not be changed under Librarian King.

The next convention of the city officers of Kansas will be held in Topeka, January 3.

Bishop Vincent has agreed to deliver an address before the Topeka Y. M. C. A. Sunday, December 23.

C. R. Hudson and E. F. Hollies of the Santa Fe general freight office, have gone to Chicago on official business.

Editor Ed. P. Greer, of the Winfield Courier, is here looking after his interests as a candidate for state printer.

The use of the word "resubmission" will have to be qualified since the suffrage association is talking about "resubmission."

George T. Nicholson is attending a meeting of passenger agents in Chicago, who are trying to reorganize the Western Passenger association.

E. N. Keep of the Garden City Imprent, who is in the city, says the Imprent publishes more original irrigation news than any paper in the country.

John Q. Royce of Phillipsburg, who is one of the best reading clerks in the country, is here looking after his candidacy for chief clerk of the house.

James H. Reeder was in Topeka yesterday on his way home from a trip to Mexico on business for the court of Spanish land claims of which he is clerk.

Judge J. L. Eldridge, who was secretary of the Associated Charities last winter, had a long article on prohibition in a recent number of the New York Voice.

Tim McCarthy, who was one of the most popular state officials Kansas ever had, is in Topeka for a conference with Governor-elect McMillin. Tim McCarthy is not an office seeker.

An Atchison priest has asked the state board of pardons to release Michael McArille from the penitentiary, where he has been confined eight years for murder in the second degree.

It is said that Lieutenant Governor Percy Daniels has made arrangements to move out of Kansas as soon as his term of office expires. He now lives at Girard and will move to Joplin, Mo.

Editor Bent Murdock, of the Eldorado Republican, who is in the city, wants the legislature to revise the fish and game laws and appoint one commissioner to have charge of all sporting matters.

The Todd Coal company of Englewood, Kas., has complained to the state board of railroad commissioners that the railroads over which it does its shipping discriminate against it in freight rates.

John D. Cruise, a Kansas City, (Kan.) Democrat, who believes that Joe Lowe will not take the position of railroad commissioner, wants the coming Republican administration to give the place to him.

Robert Stone of the law firm of Troutman, McKee & Stone, who has made his headquarters at Concordia for a year past as attorney for the receiver of the Lombard Investment company, will return to Topeka about the first of January.

H. P. Andrews, representative-elect from Phillips county, has a big irrigation scheme. He wants the government to build dams across the canyons in the Rocky mountains and then distribute the water all over the country east and south of the mountains.

Governor Leawelling says the Republicans should live up to the law which gives old soldiers the preference in appointments. Governor Leawelling appointed a state insurance commissioner and a state bank commissioner, neither of whom were soldiers.

State Superintendent H. N. Gaines has purchased a half interest in the Salina Union and will become an editor when he retires from official life. He purchased the interest of Frank Hunnewell, who is to be connected with Frank Forrest in running the Concordia Alliance.

It is said that the old Republican members of the Topeka board of police commissioners, P. L. Bonebrake and Dr. F. S. McCabe, are likely to be appointed by Governor McMillin. Charles F. Spencer, who was the Democratic member of the old board, is now a Republican and a new third man will necessarily have to be chosen.

By bestowal of highest honors at the Chicago and Midwinter fairs on Dr. Price's Baking Powder, the government experts and jury of awards confirm it as superior to any other.

## WEAVER DENOUNCES IT.

Says the Baltimore Plan is a Bold and Barren Scheme.

DENVER, Dec. 11.—The Rocky Mountain News today publishes a letter from General Weaver, in which he says: "The Baltimore currency scheme is a bold and bare faced proposition to apply the methods of the stock exchange, the trust and the bond of a great nation and controlling its volume. A congress which has its walking papers is just the kind of a body the money power delights to toy with."

It is an attempt to transfer, as a gratuity to speculators, the highest attribute of sovereignty, that of issuing the currency of a great nation and controlling its volume. A congress which has its walking papers is just the kind of a body the money power delights to toy with."

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The famous Lotus club will sing at the Kindergarten minstrels, Dec. 14th and 15th.

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Who so kindly contributed to bring this sale to the public notice, we will simply say that their efforts are highly appreciated, and the thanks of the CHICAGO SALVAGE, WRECKAGE, BOND, SECURITY & AUCTION COMPANY are hereby tendered to them, one and all.

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## KANSAS AVENUE GLIMPSES.

M. W. Van Valkenburg is at home sick.

Mrs. Eaggie Spillman of Sharum's is ill.

A. H. Buckner and John Van Osdell are in Fort Scott.

Rev. N. E. Stewart has gone to Los Angeles, California.

John Murphy of the letter carriers' force is at home sick.

The state board of charities is in session at the Beloit school.

F. P. Bacon of the Topeka Transfer company says the transfer business is dull.

George W. Hagenbush and W. J. Janney, Santa Fe men from Kansas City, are in town today.

The "North Side Needle Ten" are doing excellent work for the poor in their locality.

Major Burdgo has served as chaplain of Lincoln post G. A. R., for nine consecutive years.

Miss Gerlie Fairchild faunted at the Salvation Army meeting Sunday evening and had to be carried out.

E. H. Crosby is expected home from Louisiana today. He has been there for two weeks at his cotton plantation.

W. R. Kirkpatrick rode his second degree goat at the ball of Knights of Pythias lodge 179 last night and the knights had an unusual amount of fun with him.

A colored woman who stole several valuable things from the different stores in town during the holidays of last year and two years ago is again on the streets. Look out for her.

There is a big colored revival going on at the south end of Van Buren street at Mt. Olive church and police protection has been asked. The saved souls become almost unmanageable at times.

Mrs. Thorpe advocates a sort of an asylum for the helpless poor people, where they can be taken care of in a bunch. Sort of lumped off as it were. She says: "The benevolent people of Topeka will pay probably twenty-five times as much for rent and food for invalids and helpless poor this winter as would be necessary if they could be got together in one place."

The following officers of the Knights of Pythias lodge No. 179, have been elected and will be installed: Harry E. Lyman, chancellor commander; H. C. Streeter, vice commander; Charles Figs, prelate; W. O. Anderson, master of works; J. W. F. Hughes, keeper of records and seals; D. W. Spielman, master of finance; J. C. Clark, master of exchequer; and B. A. Busic, master at arms.

Try a ton of Camden coal. E. P. Ewart, 1012 Kansas avenue.

Remember sale, supper and entertainment at the First Presbyterian church Wednesday, December 13th.

Institute of Arts and Languages. Elocution, Dramatic Art. F. P. Cleaves, M. A., instructor, Jackson and Eighth.

Nobby waits at Ekberg's, 716 Kansas avenue.

252 calls up the Peerless

## HAS ADJOURNED.

The Grand Jury Quits Since Die Last Night At Supper Time.

The grand jury adjourned last evening about 6 o'clock after being in session five weeks. The reason for the sudden and unexpected adjournment was the advice which Judge Hazen gave them Saturday night.

The last act of the grand jury was the indictment of Louis Charowhas for improper relations with Rosa Woody, aged 15 years. She is the same girl who has accused E. M. Hentig of improper relations with her. Charowhas gave \$500 bond today. Robert Graham, colored, was also arrested for perjury.

Told of Professor Swing.

One winter morning, the late Professor Swing was sauntering slowly along near his home in Chicago. The stone pavements were coated with ice, and a woman who lived in the neighborhood was cautiously picking her way along. Suddenly her feet flew out and she came down hard upon the sidewalk. Professor Swing paused to satisfy himself that she was not seriously injured. Then he dryly remarked: "Mrs. S., in my opinion you are a good woman." Piqued at his remark, and at the same time at her predicament, she retorted: "I don't know why you think so. What do you mean?" "Scripture has it," gravely replied Professor Swing, "that the wicked stand in slippery places." You seem to be sitting down."

Mystery of the Oyster Bed.

One of the pretest natural curiosities in the world is the Texas oyster bed. This bed extends across the entire state from south to north, and has lain long enough to become stratified. The shells are soft when first taken out, but harden upon exposure to the atmosphere. At Henrietta, in the Panhandle, a number of beautiful buildings have been constructed of this material. At Weatherford and San Antonio shell roads have been made. The oysters embrace several species long since extinct, and while geologists agree that Texas must at one time have been at the bottom of the gulf of Mexico, they are at a loss to account for the presence of that oyster bank, there being none found east or west of the strata.

A Town With a History.

The city of Hainburg has been celebrated for its existence the other day the 1,000th year of its existence. In the churches festival services were held, the burghers gave receptions and all sorts of rejoicings took place among the people. Hainburg, or Heimburg, is a city of lower Austria, on the Danube, twenty-seven miles from Vienna. It was there that A. D. 907, the Magyars gained a great victory over the Germans. Hainburg is famous for its royal tobacco factory.

Good work done by the Peerless

## COLONEL "BILL" RANDOLPH.

He Likes Quail and Shot for Them on a Rising Figure.

If you know anything about Florida you know Colonel "Bill" Randolph. If you don't know him—well, just go down to Florida and ask about him.

The Hon. Colonel Smith, late of Florida, now of New York, is authority for the statistics of the Florida lars. According to him there are only three lars in the whole state. Somebody else is one and Colonel "Bill" Randolph is the other two.

Colonel "Bill" Randolph likes quail. He says he is a good shot. He proved it the other day by telling a story. A boy drove into town (down in Florida, of course) with twenty-six live quail in a coop.

"How much do you want for your quail?" shouted Colonel "Bill" Randolph.

"Twenty-five cents apiece."

"Tell me what I'll do. You take your quail out one at a time and throw 'em into the air. Every one that rises I'll shoot at after he rises. No rise, no shoot. For every bird I kill I'll give you ten cents. For every bird I miss I'll give you fifty cents. How do you like it?"

"I'll take you," said the boy, and he jumped down from the wagon.

Then, according to Colonel "Bill" Randolph's story, the boy began to throw the birds and Colonel "Bill" to shoot them.

"Yes, sir," said Colonel "Bill" Randolph, telling the story. "I shot one after another and got that batch of quail for \$2.50. Saved fifteen cents a bird by buying 'em that way."

"Hold, up, colonel," cried one of his friends, "your story is all right, but your mathematics are wrong. Twenty-six birds, at ten cents a bird, would make \$2.60."

"Yes, that's so," said Colonel "Bill" Randolph, cool as a fish, "but one bird didn't rise."

75c-embroidered Night Shirts, 45c. PALACE CLOTHING CO., 709 Kansas ave.

Federationists on an Excursion.

DENVER, Dec. 11.—The delegates to the convention of the American Federation of Labor are spending today in sight-seeing. Many of them have gone on an excursion to Silver Plume, where they will inspect the mines. The convention will meet again tomorrow.

50c-natural wool Underwear, 25c. PALACE CLOTHING CO., 709 Kansas ave.

It's a rich treat to visit Trumbull's Art Store. A large line of beautiful pictures have just been opened.

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## HOW TO DO

When There Is Diphtheria in the Family.

"Diphtheria" was the principal subject discussed at the meeting of the Topeka Medical society last night. Dr. Alkire discussed the anatomy of the disease, Dr. Pelton, pathology, Drs. Stewart, McQuinn and McVey the treatment, and Dr. Mann, incubation.

The treatment agreed upon was complete rest, pushing of nourishment, cleanliness of the parts affected and but little medication.

Dr. McVey read a paper on "The Progress of Medicine."

Kansas Postmaster Acquitted.

August Jadedike, the Hanover postmaster, was acquitted of the charge of falsifying his returns by a jury in the United States district court last night. It only took the jury ten minutes to agree on the verdict. Jadedike is quite wealthy. He was indicted on twelve counts and has been acquitted on all of them. He was tried on ten counts a year ago. Eugene Hagan and David Overmyer defended him.

50c-knit Gloves—long wrist, 25c. PALACE CLOTHING CO., 709 Kansas ave.

Against Open Sunday Saloons.

New York, Dec. 11.—At the sixth anniversary of the American Sabbath union resolutions were adopted to the effect that the union protests against the announced purpose of the liquor interest of New York and of the great cities of the country to secure legislative action which shall repeal existing laws against the sale of liquor on Sunday.

Largest Wall Paper Factory Burns.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Birgess Wall Paper factory at Niagara and Maryland streets was entirely destroyed by fire today. Loss, estimated at \$250,000 and the insurance is said to be nearly that much. The factory was the largest individual plant of its kind in the country, and perhaps in the world.

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